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Inmate/Resident Telephone Control Service
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Addendum No. 6

To All Attendees of the Bidder's Conference:

The following revisions and clarifications are made to the referenced Request for Proposal (RFP):

1. Page 14, Section 6.2.5 Call Billing, this section is revised to read as follows:

One flat rate service charge should be billed for all calls regardless of time of day and/or day of week.

- Local – service charges not to exceed \$2.50
- IntraLATA – service charges not to exceed \$2.50
- InterLATA – service charges not to exceed \$2.50
- Interstate – service charges not to exceed \$2.50

A separate postalized transport charge should be billed for each of the above areas regardless of the time of day and/or day of week.

These billable elements must be capped for the duration of the Contract. Billing of calls will not begin until an off-hook, voice acceptance and interactive signal is received from the called party. Call detail must be provided for every outgoing call.

The overall billing per call will be included in the Bidder's evaluation criteria.

2. The Call Detail included in the attached CD is made part of this RFP.
3. Addendum No. 3 added Section 3.15 Compliance with Set-Aside Subcontracting

All vendors are required to complete and return the Notice of Intent to Sub-Contract Form with their proposals.

The following questions were included in Addendum No. 5, but were not answered. Revision 1 to the RFP responds to these questions.

Question 3: Will the State reconsider its position on transport rates and assign a fixed value for inmate station collect rates?

Response: See Revision 1 to the RFP above and the enclosed CD.

Question 13: Can the State please break out Local and IntraLATA (Toll) minutes and calls into separate buckets.

Response: See Revision 1 to the RFP above and the enclosed CD.

Question 18: Page 11, Question 45, Section 6.2.5 – (1) Although the State has been very specific about the maximum surcharge billed for each type of call, there has been no specific rate requirements for the transport charges. This could result in low surcharges quoted but very high per minute charges applied to end users. Would the State consider providing specific details relative to the rates they desire on per minute charges? (2) In a related Question (#62) Page 14, Section 7.7.3, the State agrees that it is their intention that the rates are not to exceed the local exchange carrier rates. Does this mean that the regulated rates approved by the New Jersey State Regulatory authority are acceptable where applicable.

Response: See Revision 1 to the RFP above.

Question 21: Taking into consideration that collect call rates from prison facilities are regulated by the State Public Utility Commission and, if the local phone company (LEC) increases the local and intraLATA rate to over \$2.00 during the RFP process, would the NJ State DOC consider the new regulated LEC collect rate as the rate cap for the RFP? For example, if the State Public Utility Commission approves a rate increase on the local/intra-lata calls during the RFP process, will the State use the new rate cap for the collect call rates? Please keep in mind that regulated rates by the State PUC do not allow for higher or lower

rates but just the rates that are in the respective tariff. It is understood that once the RFP is awarded, the rates would be "capped" for the life of the contract.

Response: See Revision 1 to the RFP above.

The following response to question 6 included in Addendum No. 5 was not complete. Below is the complete response:

Question 6: Please explain the state's understanding between a "sub-contractor versus a supplier. And does a vendor need to identify suppliers?

Response: Supplier provides equipment and material, would not provide service. Sub-contractor would provide services. Vendors do not have to provide the name of the suppliers.

Addendum No. 6 is to be incorporated and become a part of proposal 02-X-32533.

Sincerely yours,



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Enclosure:

1. CD - Call Detail